Yoncalla gym undergoes renovation



With help from seismic grants from the state, the Yoncalla gym is in the midst of an upgrade. Ceiling tiles are being replaced and the trusses are in the process of being upgraded. The gym floor and bleachers are also being replaced but will not be completed until after graduation. The upgrades are scheduled to be ready for the start of next school year.





Boating safety reminders

Winter storms and high water also mean that you can count on downed trees creating obstructions to navigation on our statewide "liquid highways." The Marine Board wants to remind boaters about key safety measures when the water is high and full of debris:

• High water can impact the visibility of aids to navigation (ATONs) and other waterway markers. Please use aids with caution.

• Scout river runs and have a float plan. Make sure family and friends know where you're boating and when you expect to return.

• Make sure all of your equipment and emergency

Be prepared to portage around log jams. •Currents are also very strong, adding to the complexity of wind or tide impacts to the movement of your boat. Anchoring is particularly challenging with a strong current.

-Coast Fork

-Dave's Place

-Grocery Outlet

-Cottage Grove

Garbage Service

-Jim's Point S Tire

-D&D Auto

Factory

-Emerald Fitness Club

gear is good condition. Me-

chanical issues contribute to

accidents and lack of commu-

nication equipment such as a

VHF-marine radio, Personal

Locator Beacon (PLB), or even

cell phone can lead to timely

• Extreme caution should

also be taken during launching

and retrieving due to high vol-

umes of marine debris (logs,

strainers, garbage, etc.). Boat-

ers need to start out slow and

keep an extra sharp lookout

for floating and partially sub-

merged debris to avoid damag-

ing their boats. Look for subtle

changed in the water's surface

and the water dynamics ahead.

delays if rescue is needed.

ODFW seeks candidates for Fish Restoration and **Enhancement Board**

SALEM, Ore - The Oregon with, the diverse sport fisheries Department of Fish and Wildlife is seeking qualified applicants to fill two soon to be vacant positions on the Fish Restoration and Enhancement (R&E) Program Board. Interested individuals must apply by March 31, 2019. One position represents sport fishing interests and the other represents salmon troll fishing interests on the R&E Board.

The ideal Sport Fishing Representative will be a resident of Oregon that is able to effectively represent the sport anglers of Oregon. Desirable attributes include involvement with local fishing groups or fish management, previous experience with boards or commissions, and knowledge of, or involvement across Oregon.

The ideal Troll Fishing Representative will be a resident of Oregon that is able to effectively represent individuals involved in Oregon's troll fisheries. Desirable attributes include involvement with local fishing groups or fish management, previous experience with boards or commissions, and knowledge of, or involvement with, the salmon troll fisheries in Oregon. Individuals who may not be directly involved in harvest but are somehow associated with the salmon troll fishery in Oregon may also apply.

The Fish Restoration and Enhancement Program was created by the Oregon Legislature in 1989 to help fund fish restoration and enhancement



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projects throughout the state. The program is funded by a surcharge on sport and commercial fishing licenses and commercial poundage fees and is overseen by a seven-member citizen board made up of three sport fishing representatives, three representatives from the troll, gillnet and seafood processing industries and one public-atlarge representative. The Board reviews grant proposals from various organizations and agencies and recommends projects for funding.

Board members, who are appointed to four-year terms by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission, meet three or four times each year in various communities throughout the state to review project funding applications, hear public testimony, act as liaisons between the program and the public, and to conduct other program business. Board members are volunteers; however, Board-related business expenses are reimbursed.

For more information and to obtain an application, go to the R&E website https://www.dfw. state.or.us/fish/RE/board.asp or contact Debbi Farrell at 503-947-6211 or Debbi.L.Farrell@ state.or.us

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